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SOME GOOD REASONS WHY YOU SHOULD BUY OF US

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We do not charge fancy prices for ordinary stock, or cheap prices for light, worthless plants. The reasonable prices herein listed are for first class, healthy, well-rooted stock; and as we sell direct, they will be found to be 25 to 50 percent below agents' prices. At all times we give full value, and the price you pay us includes no agents' profit.

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MAPLE Each Silver-leaved, 8-10 ft., (Hundred \$80; Ten, \$10) - \$1.25 Silver-leaved, 10-12 ft
CATALPA Bungei, Globe Head\$2.00, \$2.50 and \$3.00 Speciosa, 10-12 ft
BIRCH
Cut-leaved, 6-8 ft\$3.00
ELM
American, 8-10 ft. \$1.30 American, 10-12 ft. 2.00 American, 2 in. 4.00
American, 2 in 4.00
HORSE CHESTNUT
6-8 ft\$2.50
MOUNTAIN ASH
8-10 ft\$2.00
WEEPING MULBERRY
2 yr. heads\$2.50, \$3.00 and \$3.50
PURPLE LEAF PLUM
5-6 ft\$1.50
POPLAR, LOMBARDY and CAROLINA
8-10 ft \$1.00
10-12 ft 1.40
MAIDENHAIR 6-8 ft\$2.00
WALNUT, Black 6-8 ft\$1.50
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SHRUBS
The sizes in shrubs vary according to variety. Some are as fully developed at two feet as others at three or four feet. We have extra heavy specimen plants in most varieties that will give immediate effect that can be furnished at a slight additional cost. Send list of wants for prices.
We make a specialty of this class of plants, and will be glad to help customers in making selections suited to their particular needs. One dozen plants of one variety for ten times the price of a single plant. Six plants at dozen rate.
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2-3 ft. _____

3-4 ft., Red, Pink, Purple_____\$0.75 and \$0.85

ALTHEA

BARBERRY

just about anywhere, and has handsome foliage of tiny bright green, oval leaves that turn the most brilliant shades of orange and red in the fall.
Japanese, 12-18 in. 5.0 Japanese, 18-24 in. .60 Heavier, Bushier, 18-24 in. .70 Extra Heavy, 2-3 ft. .85
CRAB, Flowering
Bechtel's Double Pink\$1.00, \$1.50 and \$2.00
DOGWOOD, Cornus Each
Siberian, red-twigged, 3-4 ft. \$.80 Siberian, red-twigged, 4-5 ft. 1.00 Yellow-twigged, 3-4 ft. .90 Yellow-twigged, 2-3 ft. .70 Variegated Leaf, Elegantissima, 3 ft. 1.00 Silky Dogwood, Sericea, 3-4 ft. .80
DEUTZIA
Gracilis, 18-24 in
ELDER
Golden Elder, 3-4 ft
FORSYTHIA, Golden Bell
3-4 ft\$.80 2-3 ft60
BUSH HONEYSUCKLE, Lonicera
Do not overlook this handsome shrub, one of the very best in our list. It is hardy, transplants easy and is a rapid grower. The very early, bright green leaves are soon followed by a profusion of fragrant flowers. Later the branches are clothed with brilliant clusters of red berries lasting for a long time. Tall grower; used for borders, screen, or high hedges. Tartarian, 2-3 ft
Morrowi (Japanese), 3-4 it90 Morrowi (Japanese), 2-3 ft60
HYDRANGEAS, PANICULATA and ARBORESCENS
18-24 in
PRIVET Regel's, 18 in
Regel's, 18 in\$.60 and \$.75 Ibota, 2-3 ft60 Amur River, 3-4 ft., Heavy50
CYDONIA Japan Quince, 2-3 ft\$.75
RHODOTYPOS White Kerra, 2-3 ft\$.75
RIBES, Flowering Currant 3-4 ft\$.65 and \$.75
ROSA, Shrub Rose Rugosa (Japanese), 3-yrDoz., \$9.00; \$.90 Setigera, 3-yr75 Multiflora, 2-yr75

Thunbergii (Japanese Barberry). Invaluable little shrub that fits in with almost every planting. Will grow

Red Dorothy Perkins (Excelsa)



EXCELSA—It is a good deal to claim for a Rose, but we are within bounds when we describe Excelsa as a brilliant Crimson Rambler flower on glossy, varnished Wichuraiana foliage. The Wichuraiana blood assures an ornamental climber which is nearly evergreen, and this will assure this lovely crimson scarlet pillar rose a place in every American garden, for it is quite hardy in addition to all its other fine points. The flowers are very double, produced in large trusses of thirty to forty, and almost every eye on a shoot produces large clusters of flowers. The color is intense crimson-maroon, the tips of the petals tinged with scarlet. The finest of all climbing roses.

Fine 2 Year Plants, 75c. each

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SPIREA	BIGNONIA
Below are listed the very best Spireas. Spirea Van- Houttei is deservedly the most popular, but for the sake	Trumpet Vine\$.60
of variety plant also A. Waterer, Billardi, etc., which differ in color, habit and time of bloom. The Spirea is one of the "modern" shrubs, and is especially adapted	CLEMATIS Jackmanni, Purple\$1.00
one of the "modern" shrubs, and is especially adapted to planting on city lots. Careful selection of varieties	Coccinea 1.00 Paniculata, 2 yrs
is essential. Glad to make suggestions. VanHouttei, 3-4 ftDoz. \$7.00, \$.70	Paniculata, 3 yrs. 1.00 Paniculata, 4 yrs. 1.25
VanHouttei, 3-4 1tDoz. \$1.00, \$1.00 VanHouttei, 18-24 inDoz. 4.00; .40	CELASTRUS, Bittersweet
VanHouttei, 18-24 in	2 yrs\$.60 and \$.75 LATHYRUS, Perennial Pea
VanHouttel, 4-year, extra heavy, bushy_\$1.00 and 1.25 (These Spirea VanHouttei are extra fine, bushy, well-	2 yrs\$.50
rooted, and quality stock in every way.)	LYCIUM, Matrimony Vine 2 yrs\$.60
Anthony Waterer, Callosa Alba and Froebelli	WISTARIA, American and Chinese
12-18 inDoz. \$6.50; \$.60 18-24 inDoz. 7.50; .75	2 yrs. to 4 yrs\$.75 to 1.00
Thunbergi, 2-3 ft\$.60 and .75 Billardi, 2-3 ft\$.50	HONEYSUCKLE, Hall's Japan 2 yrs\$.65
3-4 ft	2 315
2-3 ft50	HEDGE PLANTS
	(Not less than 20 at hundred rates)
SUMAC Cut-leaf\$.75 and \$1.00	AMOOR RIVER PRIVET
Staghorn	18-24 in\$16.00 per hundred 2-3 ft 22.00 per hundred
LILACS Each	CALIFORNIA PRIVET
Common Purple and White, 2-3 ft\$.60 Common Purple and White, 3-4 ft85	18-24 in\$10.00 per hundred 2-3 ft 12.00 per hundred
Common Purple, 4-yr., 4-5 ft., extra fine stock, bloomed last season\$1.25 and 1.50	2-3 ft 12.00 per hundred (Not less than 20 at hundred rates)
	JAPANESE BARBERRY 12-18 in\$30.00 per hundred
Persian, 2-3 ft	12-15 in 25.00 per hundred 10-12 in 20.00 per hundred
Named Vareities, 3-4 ft., 5-yr. extra heavy blooming size\$1.50 to \$2.50	18-24 in. 40.00 per hundred SPIREA, VAN HOUTTEI, CORALBERRY, SNOWBERRY
SYRINGA, PHILADELPHUS, Mock Grange	\$15.00 to \$25.00 per hundred
Lemoinei and Avalanche, 2-3 ft\$.75 Aurea, Golden-leaved, 12-18 in	EVERGREENS Arbor Vitae and Norway Spruce
Aureau, Golden-leaved, 18-24 in	\$25.00 to \$50.00 per hundred
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Some Suggestions to Planters

ASPARAGUS

RASPBERRIES

STRAWBERRIES

PLANTING

In planting a tree or shrub, dig large, deep holes, which will receive the roots easily without crowding or bending. Keep the top, rich soil separate from the bottom soil, and then when the tree is planted, this top soil can be worked in around the roots. Be sure to prune the roots of your trees—that is, cut off all the broken and bruised ends, making a slanting cut with a sharp knife, cutting from the under side so the cut surface will rest against the bottom soil.

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The tree should be planted at about the same depth it stood in the nursery row, sometimes two inches deeper. The dark ring at the base of the trunk shows the depth the tree stood in the nursery. Throw in some of the best top soil and work it in well about the roots. Tramp and pound the soil in hard, leaving no air pockets around the roots. Fill the hole three-fourths full, and if the soil is very dry, several gallons of water can be poured in at that time, although the soil is generally moist enough without the water. After letting the water sink in fill up the hole with loose dirt, being sure not to tramp the top two or three inches of soil. When planting in the Fall, it is a good plan to mound up the dirt around the tree or shrub to a height of 6 to 10 inches. This can be raked down level the next Spring.

MULCHING

Mulching the surface around newly planted trees, is desirable and in dry soil is indispensable for best results. Freshly cut grass, partially rotted manure or straw may be used for this purpose.

PRUNING

One of the most common causes of failure in transplanting is the lack of sufficient pruning. The tops of all trees should be reduced at least one-third (shrubs nearly one-half) when planted. This is necessary in order that the partially destroyed root system may not have any more top than it can successfully support.

PRUNING SHRUBS

Immediately after planting shrubs, the tops should be headed back one-third or one-half of their growth, as this will tend to make them become more dense and more bushy. After the first year or two, shrubs will not need much pruning-just enough to keep the old dead wood cut out and in a vigorous growing condition.

HEDGES

The plants should be set about 12 inches apart from well-prepared trench about one foot wide and 12 to 18 inches deep. Only good and thoroughly pulverized soil should be used, and after the planting is completed it is desirable to apply some sort of surface mulch. Privet should be cut down within five or six inches of the surface of the ground. Barberry should have the tops cut back at least one-half.